GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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MANDAYS GENERATED FOR SCs/STs IN RURAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether programmes were undertaken to generate employment opportunities for the SCs/STs and landless rural workers;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether in some States like Andhra Pradesh, instead of employing landless rural labourers and SCs/STs heavy machinery was used/engaged during 2000-01 for execution of continuous contour trenches at lakhs of rupees;

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto and the action proposed to be taken by the Government in the matter; and

(e) the number of man-days employment generated for SCs/STs and landless labourers in the country during 2000-01 and 2001-02 so far and the number of man-days actually employed ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA)

(a) & (b) Yes Sir, the Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana was launched by merging the erstwhile wage Employment programmes of the Employment Assurance Scheme and the Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojanato provide additional wage employment and food security to the rural poor including SCs/STs and landless rural workers.

(c) & (d) Yes Sir. Some complaints have been received in the Ministry and these have been sent to the concerned State Governments to take appropriate steps for remedial measures and to focus on labour intensive works as per the programme Guidelines.

(e) Details of mandays of employment generated, as reported by the State Governments, for Scheduled Castes/Schedule Tribes and Landless labourers during 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 are given below :

(Lakh Mandays)

Year	Programme	Total	SCs /STs	Others	Landless Labourers
2000-01	EAS	2183.92	1234.97	948.95	902.60
	JGSY	2602.94	1404.84	1198.10	998.45
2001-02	SGRY (EAS)	2605.54	1419.20	1175.00	1012.91
	SGRY (JGSY)	2624.24	1440.93	1183.31	999.44